GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR THE WELFARE OF DISABLED PERSONS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether allocation of Central funds towards education, employment and other welfare measures for disabled people, particularly disabled children is abysmally low as reported in a recent World Bank Report;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(a) the steps being proposed by the Government to create and provide congenial education and employment facilities to the disabled people?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) to (c) The Government has taken various steps to promote education and employment facilities for persons with disabilities in recent years. Under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), inclusive education of children with special needs is being promoted. There has been general increase in allocation of funds for education of children with disabilities with the implementation of SSA. Apart from reservation in employment in Government establishments, the Government has approved a Central Sector Scheme to promote employment of disabled persons in private sector. The World Bank has not submitted final report.